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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 1, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated July 1, 2005 for three months, from October 1, 2005 to January 1, 2006 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as follows: